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communities have got hostels except the Muslims and whether the Government will take steps to start a Muslim hostel at Mangalore in the near future? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
"The hostels for all other communities are not maintained by the Government. It is open to the Muslim community to maintain a hostel if they want."

Hindustani as medium of instruction.

* 575 *Q.*—SRI A. VEDARATNAM PILLAI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any scheme under contemplation to start or give recognition to colleges or high schools intending to make Hindustani as medium of instruction; and

(*b*) whether any high schools or colleges have already applied to the Government for permission to make Hindustani the medium of instruction in their institutions, and, if so, whether the Government will be pleased to place the details of the scheme on the table of the House?

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
"(*a*) & (*b*) No."

SRI A. VEDARATNAM PILLAI:—" Will the Hon. Minister be pleased to state whether Hindustani is being introduced in all high schools and colleges in this Province, if not why not and if so in which forms it is introduced? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
"Yes, Sir. Orders have been issued that teaching in Hindustani must be provided for in all high schools."

BEGUM SULTAN MIR AMIRUDDIN:—" May I know from the Hon. Minister what steps the Government are taking to enable South Indian students to qualify and appear for all India competitive examinations which in future I understand will be held in the national language of the country which will be either Hindustani or Hindi? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
"That is why teaching for that language has been provided for in all high schools."

SRI V. RAGHAVAYYA:—" Is it a fact that last year the Government drew up a scheme for introducing Hindustani instruction in all the secondary schools of this Province and also prepared a scheme for training more teachers to teach Hindustani and if so may I know why the Government have not implemented it? "

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
"I am afraid the hon. Member does not understand the answer. When I said that provision has been made for

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instruction in Hindustani I referred only to the orders that have been issued last year and that order is being implemented."

Sri M. KUMARAN:—"Is the Hon. Minister aware that in most of the schools the Hindustani period is merely wasted as the subject is not one for examination?"

The Hon. Sri T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—"That matter will be considered along with the reorganization of secondary education."

Sri S. PARAMANANDA RAYAR:—"In view of G.O. No. 1930, Education, dated 2nd September 1947 seeking to exempt those Hindi Pandits who entered service before 9th June 1939 from passing the Pracharak Diploma Examination, is it a fact that the Government Order has fallen short of doing justice to the entrants of 1939–40 in the matter of exemption?"

The Hon. Sri T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—"The Government prescribed certain qualifications for the Hindustani teachers. Representations were made that there were teachers with some long services and that they may be exempted from that qualification. The Government agreed to meet their demands and said that people who have had a certain period of service should be exempted. That does not mean that we must make permanent exemptions for every one who is entering service."

N. MUHAMMAD ANWAR SAHIB Bahadur:—"Apart from the provision of Hindustani in the present day curriculum in middle schools, may I enquire of the Hon. Minister that in view of the potential importance of Hindustani as the lingua franca of our Union whether adequate provision will be made for this as an optional language in the higher forms of the High Schools and as a language group in the Intermediate and B.A. classes in the college study."

The Hon. Sri T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—"With regard to the high schools the matter is under consideration. With regard to the other matter it is one for the universities and I have no doubt that they will move with the times."

Begum Sultan MIR AMIRUDDIN:—"May I know whether the Hon. Minister is satisfied that the meagre provision that is being made with reference to Hindustani will enable South Indian students to compete with the other students in the all India competitive examinations in future?"

The Hon. Sri T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—"We hope so, Sir."

Sri R. V. SWAMINATHAN:—"May I know from the Hon. Minister whether the Government is considering the question of making Hindustani compulsory in this Province?"

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THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—"That is also under the consideration of Government."

M. MUHAMMAD ISMAIL SAHIB BAHADUR:—"Arising out of the answer given by the Hon. Minister, may I know whether the Government admit that the instruction that is being given in Hindustani is meagre?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—"The instruction given in Hindustani is not meagre. I do not accept that it is meagre. It would be meagre if we stop giving instruction with the third form but if we continue to give instruction till the sixth form it will not be meagre."

Complaint against the Tahsildar of Papanasam.

* 576 *Q.*—SRI V. S. SANKARASUBRAHMANYA MUDALIYAR (on behalf of Sri M. D. Thiagaraja Pillai): Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Collector of Tanjore received a communication from one Sri M. Chockalingam of Pookara Vilar Road, Tanjore, complaining of the behaviour of the Tahsildar of Papanasam, in the circumstances detailed therein and that the Collector of Tanjore did not even have the courtesy to reply to the said communication, much less take any action thereon; and

(*b*) whether it is a fact that the said party received an unpaid letter from the Revenue Department and had to pay penal postal charges therefor and, if so, whether there is any rule obtaining in the Department to send letters "unpaid" to the citizens of our country and, if so, whether the Government will consider the desirability of cancelling such rule?

THE HON. SRI KALA VENKATA RAO:—"(*a*) No. Such communication was received by the Collector of Tanjore from Sri M. Chockalingam of Pookara Vilar Road, Tanjore. The latter part of the quesion does not therefore arise.

"(*b*) Yes. The permit was sent 'unpaid' by the Tahsildar under the practice which had been in vogue for a long time in his office. Instructions have since been issued by the Collector to all subordinate officers that this practice should cease."

SRI A. VEDARATNAM PILLAI:—"Will the Hon. Minister be pleased to state what was the part played by the village karnam in this matter and how was the karnam dealt with?"

THE HON. SRI KALA VENKATA RAO:—"On a reference made before by the Tahsildar the village karnam reported that the applicant had neither paddy in store nor any storage godown. Later on when this was found to be false the karnam was dealt with properly. He was fined."